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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:

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Serial No.: 10/613,334

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For: FEMORAL HEAD ASSEMBLY WITH
VARIABLE OFFSET

Group Art Unit: 3738

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REQUEST FOR CONTINUED EXAMINATION UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.114

This is a Request for Continued Examination (RCE) of the above-identified application.

1. Submission required under 37 C.F.R. § 1.114

- a. Previously submitted
- i. Consider the amendment(s)/reply under 37 C.F.R. § 1.116 previously filed on September 15, 2005.
(Any unentered amendments referred to above will be entered).
- ii. Consider the arguments in the Appeal Brief or Reply Brief previously filed on _____
- iii. Other _____

b. Enclosed

i. Amendment/Reply iii. Information Disclosure Statement
(IDS)

ii. Affidavit(s)/Declarations iv. Other _____

2. **Miscellaneous**

a. Suspension of action on the above-identified application is requested under 37 C.F.R. § 1.103(c) for a period of _____ months. (Period of suspension shall not exceed 3 months. Fee under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(i) required)

b. Other _____

3. **Fees** The RCE fee under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(e) is required by 37 C.F.R. § 1.114 when the RCE is filed.

a. If the check is missing or insufficient, The Director is hereby authorized to charge the following fees to Deposit Account No. 50-0786/2108.002800.

i. RCE fee required under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(e)

ii. Extension of time fee (37 C.F.R. §§ 1.136 and 1.17)

iii. Other _____.

b. Check in the amount of \$790.00 enclosed

c. Payment by credit card (Form PTO-2038 enclosed)

Respectfully submitted,

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